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BANGKOK FOR GAO STAFFORD; USCG PASS USGAO FOR SHELEY

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SUBJECT: GAO REVIEW: "EFFECTIVENESS OF COUNTER-TERRORISM
MEASURES."

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED BY GAO OF THEIR INTENTION
TO INITIATE SUBJECT REVIEW IN WASHINGTON AND AT ADDRESSEE
POSTS. FOCUS OF THIS REVIEW WILL BE THE READINESS OF U.S.
EMBASSIES TO COUNTER TERRORIST ACTIONS; THE EXTENT OF
SUPPORT THEY EXPECTED AND RECEIVED FROM HOST COUNTRIES,
AND THEIR(HOST COUNTRY) EXPERIENCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR
INTERNATIONALLY PROTECTED PERSONS AND PROPERTY. GAO WILL
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WANT TO MEET WITH THE SECURITY WATCH COMMITTEE AND TO
OBTAIN FROM ADMIN OFFICER COST DATA ON SECURITY IMPROVE-
MENTS. THEY WILL ALSO WANT TO MEET WITH HOST GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS THE PROTECTION AFFORDED NATIONALS OF
OTHER COUNTRIES. PROTECTION OF BUSINESS PERSONS AND
PRIVATE CITIZENS IS EXCLUDED FROM THIS REVIEW.

2. GAO WASHINGTON HAS BEEN BRIEFED BY THE OFFICE OF SECURITY AND THE OFFICE OF THE COORDINATOR FOR COMBATTING TERRORISM. THEY HAVE ALSO BEEN BRIEFED BY DOD AND CIA.

3. GAO TEAM FROM THEIR FAR EAST BRANCH WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN WORK APPROXIMATELY MAY 1 SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE

EMBASSIES. PLEASE ADVISE WITH INFO COPIES TO GAO HONOLULU FOR SHELEY AND TO BANGKOK FOR GAO STAFFORD.

4. PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR GAO TO SPEND UP TO THREE WEEKS AT EACH EMBASSY. EXACT DATES AND NAMES AND SECURITY CLEARANCES OF AUDITORS WILL BE COMMUNICATED BY GAO HONOLULU AFTER EMBASSY CONCURRENCE IS RECEIVED.

5. GAO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR JOSEPH DIGIORGIO AND SUPERVISORY AUDITOR LOUIS ZANARDI WILL VISIT EACH POST EITHER AT THE START OF OR DURING THE COURSE OF THE TEAM VISIT. DEPARTMENT WILL ADVISE EXACT DATES WHEN KNOWN. DEPARTMENT CERTIFIES THAT MESSRS. DIGIORGIO AND ZANARDI POSSESS CURRENT TOP SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCES.

6. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO COOPERATE WITH GAO IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDELINES IN 4 FAM 930-934. GAO IS AWARE THAT CONTACTS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE CONFIDENTIAL

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